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The Territories of Kansas and Nebraska: Being An Account of Their Geography, Resources, and Settlements . . . (with two early maps of Kansas & Nebraska)

Stock#: 37838ops
Map Maker: Moffette
Date: 1855
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: (15 x 12) and (17 x 10)
Price: \$ 3,500.00



Description:

First edition of this fine early guide book to Kansas Territory and Nebraska Territory by Joseph F. Moffette, embellished with rare variant editions of two maps of Kansas and Nebraska, published by J.H. Colton & Company in New York.

Pocket guide book with two pocket maps. 84 page guide. 36 page advertising catalog of the maps, charts, books, etc. published by Colton.

Two folding maps, both published by Colton. Tipped onto the inside front cover is a "Nebraska and Kansas." This is the same map as found in his atlas of America, just printed on thinner paper. Tipped onto the back cover is another map titled "Nebraska and Kansas" but in vertical format.



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The second map is the precursor to a similarly formatted map of Nebraska and Kansas which began appearing in Colton's atlas circa 1858, but significantly pre-dates the atlas map, with fewer townships and earlier topographical details.

Moffette claims to have been part of the Stevens Expedition. Some of the information in the guidebook was secured from Peter Sarpy, one of the pioneer traders on the Upper Missouri.

Detailed Condition: